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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97, a list of documents is disclosed on the attached form PTO-1449 that may be material to the examination of this application. A copy of each of the documents is enclosed herewith for the Examiner's consideration.

No inference should be drawn that the attached list represents a comprehensive investigation . of the prior art; that any or all are pertinent to the invention; or that any apparatus disclosed is equivalent to the subject invention.

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The above-identified patents and documents do not suggest or make obvious the claimed invention. Hence, allowance of the pending application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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